

# CHEROKEE NATION HUMAN SERVICES

# TRIBAL COUNCIL MONTHLY REPORT

October 2021

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EMPLOYEES 394.5

VACANCIES 93

VOLUNTEERS 17



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# CHEROKEE FIRST

## ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER - JANELL SMITH

PROGRAMS:

**EMPLOYEES** 

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Community Youth

Community Adult

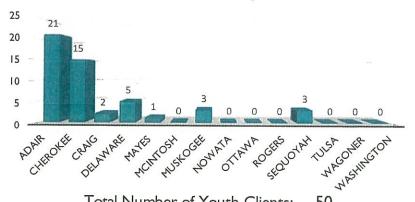
**VACANCIES** 

**VOLUNTEERS** 0

**Total Amount Distributed This Month:** \$20,800

# **Community Youth**

## **Community Youth Applications** by County

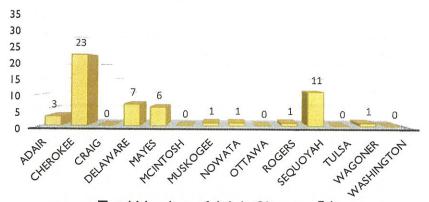


Total Number of Youth Clients:

50

# Community Adult

## **Community Adult Applications** by County



Total Number of Adult Clients:

# CHILD CARE & DEVELOPMENT

#### SENIOR DIRECTOR - TRICIA PEOPLES

#### PROGRAMS:

Child Care Development Centers

Subsidy

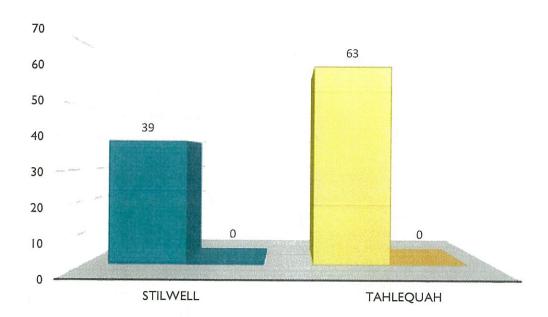
Resource & Referral

Licensing & Monitoring

Home Visiting

EMPLOYEES 113
VACANCIES 24
VOLUNTEERS 0

# **Child Care Development Centers**



# Subsidy

Children Receiving

1,914

Amount Distributed

\$1,525,459

Average Distribution Per Child

\$797.00

# Resource & Referral

Children Receiving Home Visits

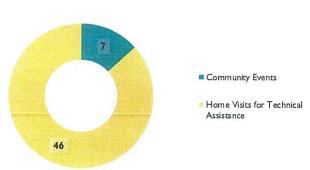
Trainings for the Month

#### Calls Received

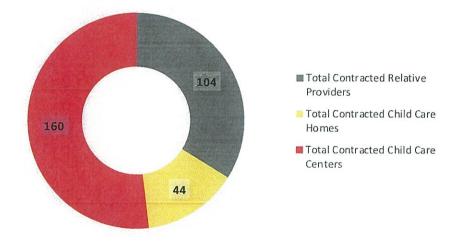
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# Calls for Information Parent Calls for Referrals

#### **Program Efforts**



# Licensing & Monitoring



# **Home Visiting**

Home Visits	35
Total Clients	12
New Clients	I
Total Number of Graduates	I
Total Enrolled Overall	12

# FAMILY ASSISTANCE

# INTERIM DIRECTOR - JENNIFER KIRBY

#### PROGRAMS:

Food Distribution

**BIA Social Services** 

Burial Assistance

**Elder Services** 

LIHEAP

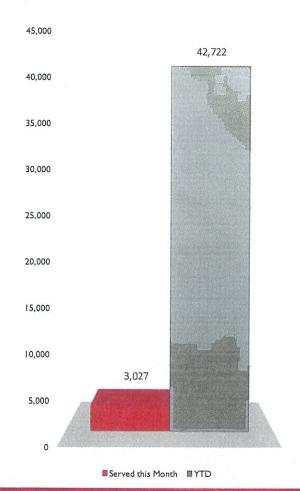
NAHASDA

Tribal Emergency Assistance

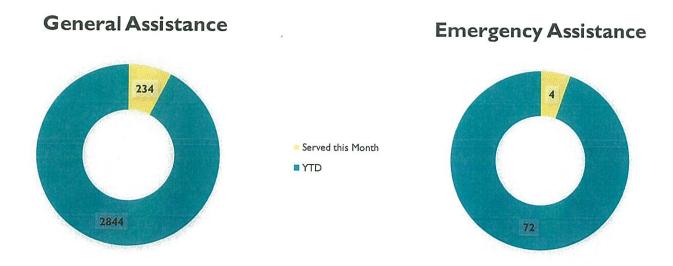
School Clothing Assistance

# EMPLOYEES 119 VACANCIES 8 VOLUNTEERS 17

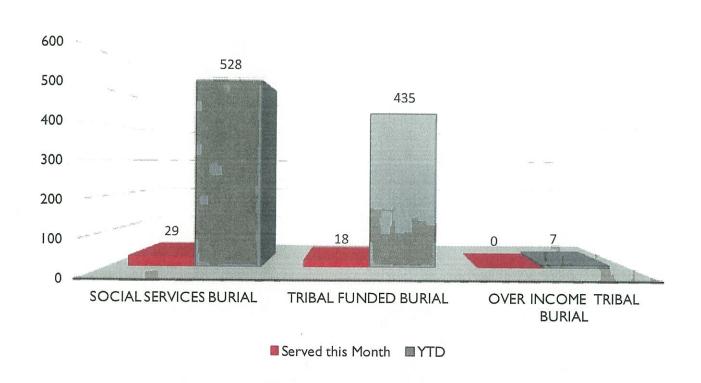
# Food Distribution



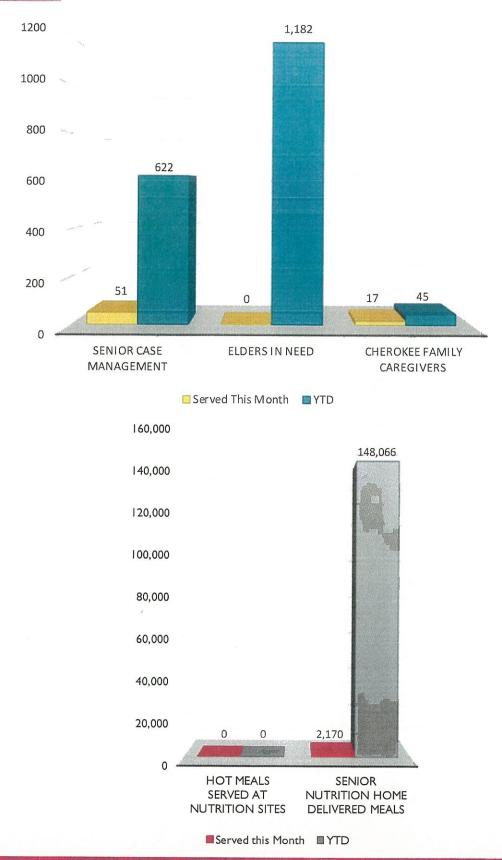
# **BIA Social Services**



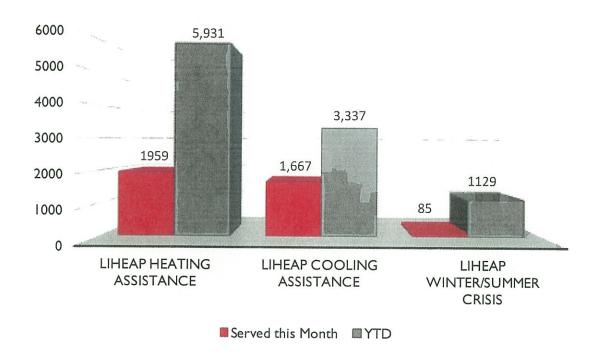
# **Burial Assistance**



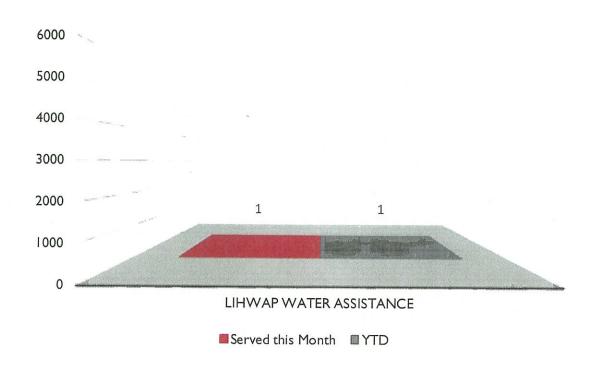
# **Elder Services**



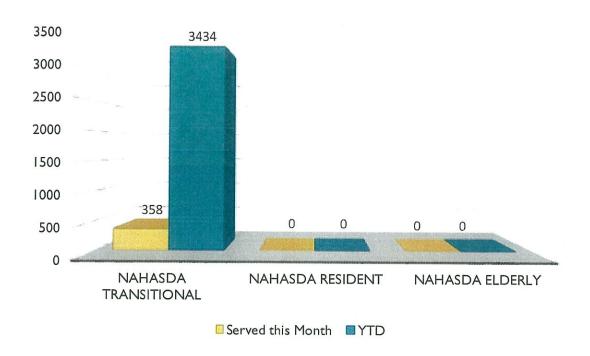
# **LIHEAP**



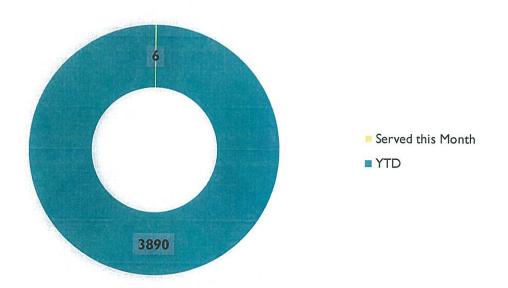
# **LIHWAP**



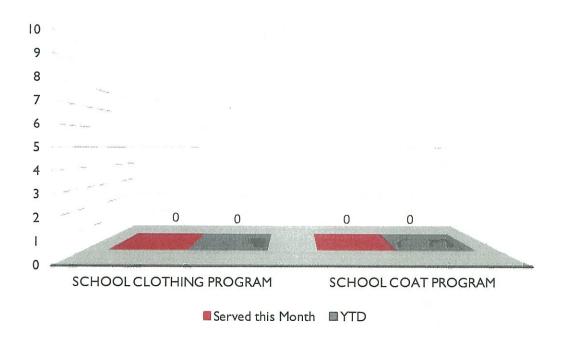
# **NAHASDA**



# Tribal Emergency Assistance



# School Clothing Assistance



# INDIAN CHILD WELFARE

#### SENIOR DIRECTOR - LOU STRETCH

PROGRAMS:	EMPLOYEES	109
Programs with Court Interaction	VACANCIES	52
Eligibility Notices, Prevention, & Intervention	VOLUNTEERS	0

Child Protective Services

Certification & Placement Services

# Programs with Court Interaction

#### **OCAPS: Out-Of-District Court Advocacy and Permanency Services**

- Involved in child welfare cases in non-jurisdiction counties in Oklahoma and all 50 states.
- Most work is done telephonically or electronically.
- Emphasis on education about the Indian Child Welfare Act and ensuring States comply with it.

#### SCAPS: State Court Advocacy and Permanency Services

- Involved in child welfare cases inside the 14 counties of which all or part are within the jurisdiction of the Nation.
- Emphasis on education about the Indian Child Welfare Act and ensuring OKDHS compliance, and sometimes provide Tribal Foster Homes.
- Provides services to the families when OKDHS fails to do so or as an alternative to OK DHS services.

#### TCAPS: Tribal Court Advocacy and Permanency Services

- Involved in child welfare cases which are wholly under the jurisdiction of the Nation and OKDHS is not involved.
- These cases originate on Indian Country or are transferred in from State district courts. Hearings are held at our Tribal Court House. Tribal Foster Homes are fully utilized.

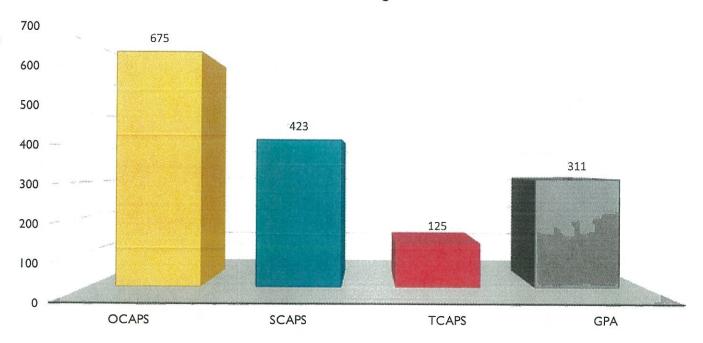
#### **GPA:** Guardianships and Private Adoptions

- Involved in civil adoption cases to include voluntary adoption, involuntary adoption and birth parent adoptions.
- Monitors Guardianships and Private Adoptions for compliance with the Indian Child Welfare Act and the best interests of children.
- Serves Cherokee children and their families in Tribal Courts and State Courts throughout the United States.

#### **CPS: Child Protective Services**

- Receives referrals involving allegations of maltreatment of Cherokee children.
- Investigates allegations of child maltreatment in Indian Country and co-investigates with DHS in some counties when Cherokee children are involved.

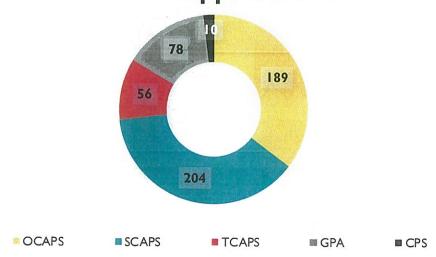
1,534 Children with Assigned ICW Workers



#### In October

Indian Child Welfare workers went to court 537 times on behalf of Cherokee children and families. Indian Child Welfare staff worked on cases in 32 states.





## Eligibility Notices, Prevention, & Intervention

When a county or state's child welfare agency gets involved in the life of a family that they suspect to be Cherokee, they are required by the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) to send notice to the tribe. The tribe must then reply to confirm or deny whether the children are members of (or eligible to become members of) the tribe.

Currently, with 7 case workers processing approximately 200-300 pieces of mail per month, response times may vary due to vacancies and depending on the amount of mail received. The tribe has a goal of responding between 45-60 days.

#### In October

Cherokee Nation received:

452 notices involving 794 children from the State of Oklahoma.

1,207 notices involving 2,028 children from locations outside of Oklahoma.

1,659 notices involving 2,822 children in total.

The average response-to-notice time this month was 59 days.

Indian Child Welfare Family Protection Services Unit (FPS) assists families in need of handson training to correct the conditions that lead to children being removed from their home.
These services often include completing a 28-week parenting program that discusses topics
like discipline, nutrition, budgeting, and housekeeping. We primarily assist all our tribal CAPS
cases but can assist in state cases when a request is made. This helps ensure that families
have the tools they need to be reunited. We have also added the Triple P Parenting
curriculum to our program.

#### In October

FPS served 13 children and 10 families.

# **Child Protective Services**

#### In October

Child Protective Services (CPS) received 395 referrals of child abuse/neglect.

395 referrals involved 694 children.

0 of the 395 were co-investigated by OKDHS and CPS.

12 of the 395 were investigated by CPS in Indian Country.

215 of the 395 referrals were from within reservation boundaries.

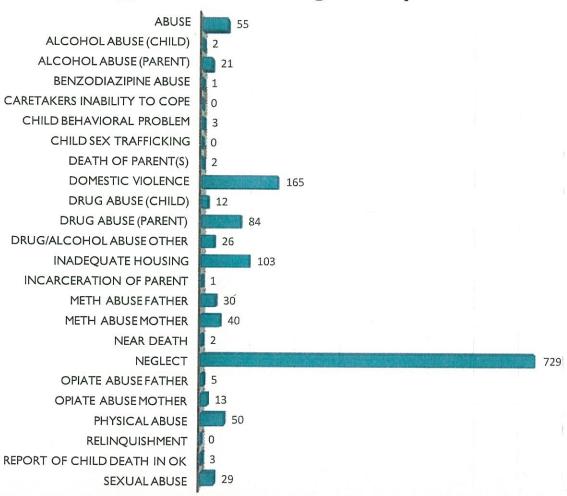
28 of the 395 referrals are those for which ICW is solely responsible.

3 Cherokee child(ren) were removed from tribal land due to confirmed abuse/neglect.

0 child death(s) occurred from within the reservation boundaries.

I near death(s) occurred from within the reservation boundaries.

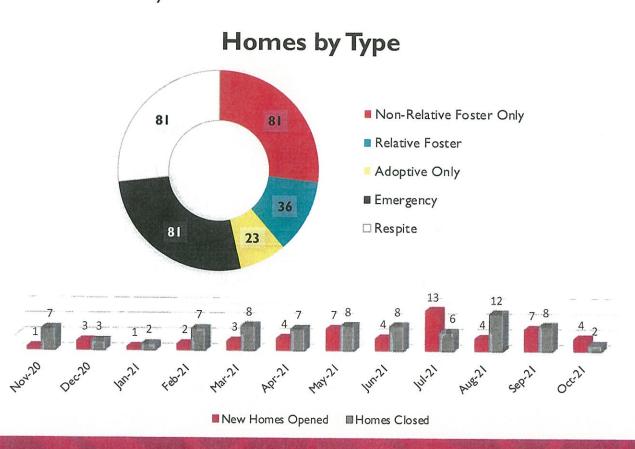
# Types of Abuse/Neglect Reported



# <u>Certification & Placement Services</u> (Foster & Adoptive Homes)

# Types of Certified Placement Resource Homes

- •Non-Relative Foster: Families who are willing to take in children they do not know on a temporary basis, but may last years. These families usually do not adopt children.
- •Relative Foster: Families who are related to the children and are fostering them. They do not take in children they are not related to.
- Non-Relative Adoptive: Families who hope to adopt children when the children's parents' rights are terminated. These homes take placements of children who are legally free for adoption.
- <u>Emergency</u>: Homes that take placement on an emergency basis not to exceed 48 hours.
- •Respite: Homes that take placement on a temporary basis, not to exceed 10 days.



# OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT

## DIRECTOR - KARA PASQUA

EMPLOYEES 32

VACANCIES 5

VOLUNTEERS 0

Total Client Contacts

2,750

Total Court Hearings

40

Total Actions on CS Cases

1,881

n CS Cases Total Cases Opened

13

Total Referrals for Services

Total Client Interview Contacts

19

Total Applications Distributed

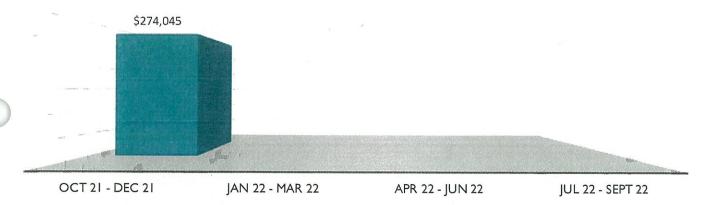
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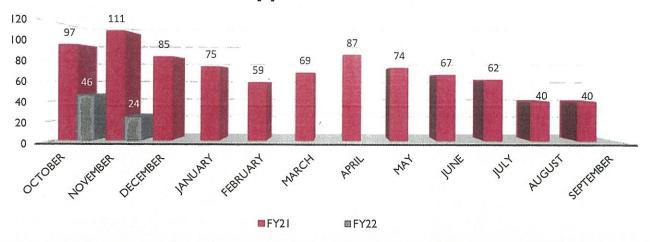
Total Collections for October

\$274,045

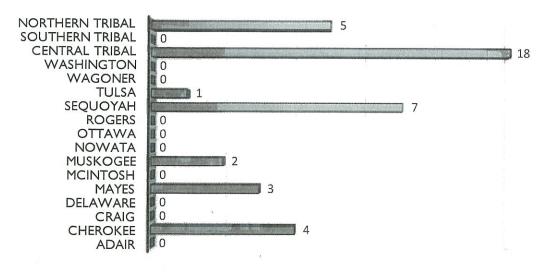
#### Total Quarterly Collections



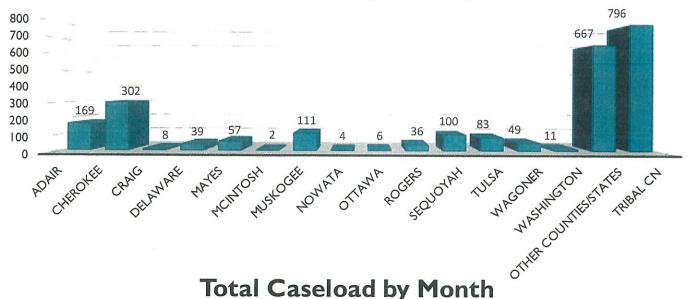
#### **Total Applications Received**



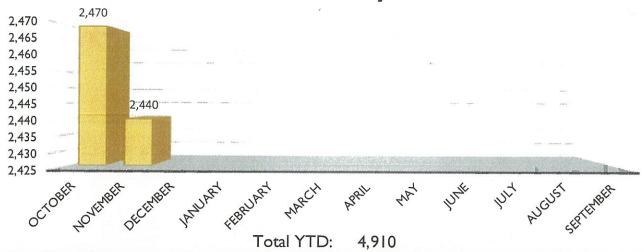
# **Court Docket Appearances**



# **Case Load by County**



# **Total Caseload by Month**



#### **Child Support Program Updates**

The Office of Child Support Services continues to serve clients Monday – Friday 8-5 p.m. Two of the child support staff were recently voted onto the Board of Directors for the Oklahoma Tribal Child Support Association. The Director was voted in to the Board of Directors for the National Tribal Child Support Association. The child support online payment portal, located on the CS website, has been successfully implemented as a payment option for obligors since going live Sept 15<sup>th</sup>. The program regularly updates their website with useful information about the program and other resources that may assist families- <a href="https://childsupport.cherokee.org">https://childsupport.cherokee.org</a>. The program's website has continued to see regular activity, and in October 2021, there were 3,041 unique views to the website.

"Strong Parents, Strong Families, Strong Foundations"

# YOUTH SERVICES & SPECIAL PROJECTS

#### DIRECTOR - LINDA VANN

PROGRAMS:	EMPLOYEES	17.5
John A. Ketcher Youth Services Center	VACANCIES	4
Youth Services	VOLUNTEERS	0

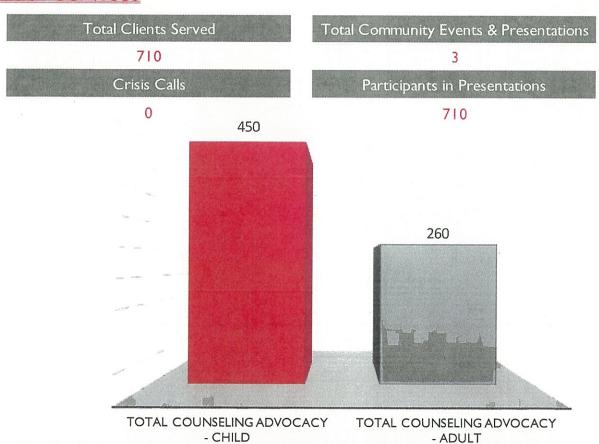
# John A. Ketcher Youth Services Center

Young People Served

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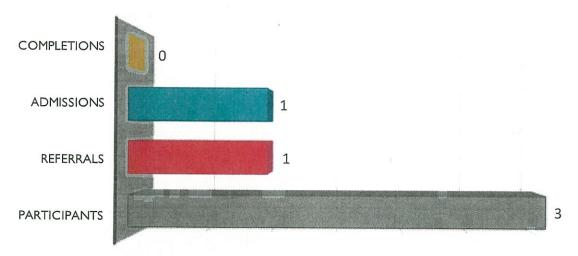
Admissions

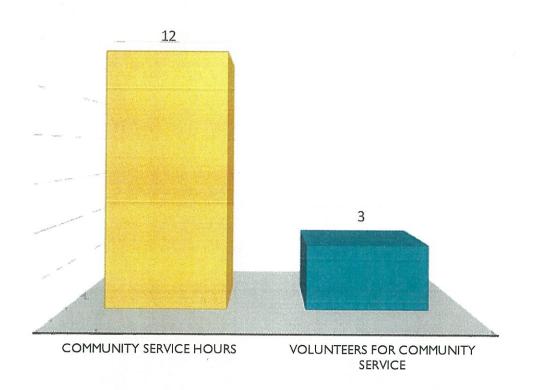
# Youth Services



# Youth Services (continued)

# Juvenile First Time Offender Program





#### COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Group Transportation & Infrastructure

Month/Year of Report:

November 2021 (Data for October 2021

Activities)

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#### I. Budget Highlights

ARPA Water & Sewer Projects funded:

CN CHERRY TREE WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS	\$	4,500,000.00		
CN CHEROKEE RWD #1/MUSKOGEE RWD #7 CONNECTION	\$	800,000.00		
CN CHERRY TREE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM CONNECTION	\$	1,500,000.00		
CN MARBLE CITY SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS	\$	1,500,000.00		
CN NOWATA WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS	\$	1,000,000.00		
CN CHELSEA WWTP IMPROVEMENTS	\$	2,000,000.00		
CN DELAWARE CO RWD #1 WATER STORAGE TANK	\$	500,000.00		
CN LENAPAH WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS	\$	700,000.00		
CN SDCRWA CHEWEY WL EXTENSION	\$	1,400,000.00		
CN SEPTIC PUMP TRUCKS	\$	300,000.00		
TOTALS	\$14,200,000.00			

#### II. Program Highlights

#### a.) Balanced Scorecard Measures

- 39 new water & septic installs
- 21 water & septic repairs
- 20 water analyses performed
- 36 site evaluations
- 19 soil tests
- 39 food handlers trained
- 68 facility inspections, technical assistance and investigations

#### Accomplishments

Notified that our 2019 emergency project to restore water to Webbers Falls (ECOWA) was selected as the 2021 Aquarius Award winner by EPA in the category of innovative financing. This was the 2<sup>nd</sup> year that a CN project was selected as a national award winner.

Participated in the Tahlepaws rabies clinic and administered 198 vaccinations.

Set up initial agreement and PO with Oklahoma Rural Water Association for MSWA system evaluations. Locust Grove will be evaluated as a pilot to tweak the evaluation forms and process.

Began water leak detection and repair program with Cherry Tree Rural Water District

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#### • Future Plans

Meet with GGEDA, EODD and Communities Unlimited to begin GIS data collection for MSWA..

Meeting with systems about ARPA funded projects.

ARPA (FRF) project funding MOA's with communities for water/sewer projects.



Cherokee Co RWD 11 New Tower Site



New Clarifier Locust Grove Water Treatment Plant Improvements

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New control structure Braggs Sanitary Sewer Improvements



Inola WW Improvements Project

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**Cherry Tree Water Leak Detection** 

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		FACILITY DATA SYSTEM		Food	INDOOR AIR	Water Test	Primary Drinking		1			
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HIGHLIGHTS:

Training - Oklahoma Onsite Wastewater Conference

Meetings - City of Tahlequah - Tahlepaws

Misc. - Rabies Clinic Tahlequah - 198 vaccinations

#### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

This office helps to ensure that tribal facilities are operated in a safe and sanitary manner and provides Tribal members with services and information to lead environmentally healthy lifestyles through inspections and investigations related to food, vectors, water and waste water. This office further provides food service training for certification, environmental disease prevention training, injury prevention intervention, water sampling, and indoor air quality investigations.

# CHEROKEE NATION ENGINEERING & SANITATION FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION

#### MONTHLY REPORT FOR 2021 October - COMMUNITY WATER & WASTEWATER PROJECTS

PROJECT NAME: Kenwood Water District - Water Loss Reduction Phase I - OK16U28

DESCRIPTION: Install route meters and additional valves to isolate leaks and prioritize worst areas for

replacement projects.
TRIBAL HOMES: 174 +/-

FUNDING SOURCE(S): I.H.S. / EPA STATUS: In-Progress – Under Construction

CN DISTRICT IMPACTED: DIST 9
Total Project Cost: \$302,000.00

PROJECT NAME: Cherry Tree Wastewater Force Main to Stilwell - OK18V44

DESCRIPTION: Construction of 21,500 l.f. of 6-inch force main to City of Stilwell Wastewater Collection

System. Develop Closeout plan for existing lagoons at Cherry Tree Industrial Park,

TRIBAL HOMES: 68 +/-

FUNDING SOURCE(S): I.H.S. / E.P.A.

STATUS: Engineering Complete, Pending Construction Start

CN DISTRICTS IMPACTED: DIST 7 / DIST 8

Total Project Cost: \$1,172,000.00

PROJECT NAME: Pine Ridge WL Extension - Cherokee RWD #3 - OK18V31

DESCRIPTION: Construction approximately 6,500 l.f. of 2-inch waterline along Pine Ridge Road and 525

Road in Cherokee County. TRIBAL HOMES; 7 +/-

FUNDING SOURCE(S): I.H.S. / Cherokee Nation

STATUS: Pending Construction Start Date

CN DISTRICTS IMPACTED: DIST 2 Total Project Cost: \$119,000.00

PROJECT NAME: TPWA – Blue Bird Dr WLX – OK19V56

DESCRIPTION: Install 6,300' of 12" & 6"

TRIBAL HOMES: 4

FUNDING SOURCE(S): EPA

STATUS: Preliminary, working on Easements

CN DISTRICTS IMPACTED: 3 Total Project Cost: \$55,000.00

PROJECT NAME: Iron Side Water District (Craig Co.) - Transmission/System Rehabilitation - OK19V72

DESCRIPTION: 7,000' of 6", 25,000 gal. Standpipe

TRIBAL HOMES: 64

FUNDING SOURCE(S): EPA/IHS/Other STATUS: Pending Construction Start Date

CN DISTRICTS IMPACTED: 11 Total Project Cost: \$714,000.00

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PROJECT NAME: North 586 Rd Waterline Extension – OK19W02

DESCRIPTION: 3,800' of 4", 1,300' of 2"

TRIBAL HOMES: 6 +/-

FUNDING SOURCE(S): I.H.S. / Other STATUS: Pending Construction Start Date

CN DISTRICTS IMPACTED: DIST 9
Total Project Cost: \$146,000.00

PROJECT NAME: Cherokee #3/N. Bryant Rd. - OK19V79

DESCRIPTION: 7,900 LF of 6"

TRIBAL HOMES: 2

FUNDING SOURCE(S): IHS

STATUS: Preliminary

CN DISTRICTS IMPACTED: 1 Total Project Cost: \$40,000.00

PROJECT NAME: Cherokee #3/W Grandview Rd. – OK19V81

DESCRIPTION: 6,800 LF of 4"

TRIBAL HOMES: 10

FUNDING SOURCE(S): IHS/Other

STATUS: Pending Construction Start Date

CN DISTRICTS IMPACTED: 1 Total Project Cost: \$192,500.00

PROJECT NAME: Cherokee #3/W, 750 Rd – OK19V82

DESCRIPTION: 5,500 LF of 4"

TRIBAL HOMES: 8

FUNDING SOURCE(S): IHS/Other

STATUS: Pending Construction Start Date

CN DISTRICTS IMPACTED: 1 Total Project Cost: \$184,500.00

PROJECT NAME: Cherokee #11 / Distribution System Improvements – OK19V85

DESCRIPTION: Water loss survey, replace 5 mi. waterline, Construct 2.5 mi of 8", Standby power.

TRIBAL HOMES: 724

FUNDING SOURCE(S): IHS/Other

STATUS: Waterline replaced/installed, Pending tower completion.

CN DISTRICTS IMPACTED: 1
Total Project Cost: \$2,675,000.00

PROJECT NAME: Cherokee County / Tenkiller Utility Authority - OK19V89

DESCRIPTION: 3.3 MGD Treatment Plant, 95,235 If of 6", 93,890 If of 8", 41,560 If of 10", 84,785 If of 12",

59,935 If of 16", 5,970 If of 20", 5 storage tanks, 14 connections to existing water systems.

TRIBAL HOMES: 1678

FUNDING SOURCE(S): IHS/USDA-RD

STATUS: Finalizing Plans

CN DISTRICTS IMPACTED: 1,2,15 Total Project Cost: \$11,545,000.00

PROJECT NAME: Rogers County / Inola PWA – WW System Rehabilitation – OK19V90

DESCRIPTION: 14,720 If of pipe rehab/replacement, 73 manhole rehabs.

TRIBAL HOMES: 91

FUNDING SOURCE(S): EPA CWA, IHS

STATUS: Under Construction CN DISTRICTS IMPACTED: 15 Total Project Cost: \$5,128,000.00

PROJECT NAME: Muskogee County / Braggs PWA – Sewer System Upgrade – OK19V91 DESCRIPTION: Install 8" & 12" sewer line, new manholes, lift stations, sludge removal.

TRIBAL HOMES: 45

FUNDING SOURCE(S): IHS / Other STATUS: Under Construction CN DISTRICTS IMPACTED: 4 Total Project Cost: \$2,138,000.00

PROJECT NAME: Mayes County / Locust Grove PWA - OOWA Connection - OK19V94

DESCRIPTION: 45,000 If of 12", 695 gpm pump station to connect to Oklahoma Ordinance Works

Authority located in Mid America Industrial Park.

TRIBAL HOMES: 307

FUNDING SOURCE(S): IHS / Other

STATUS: Under Construction, Start 8/17/20

CN DISTRICTS IMPACTED: 9,15 Total Project Cost: \$6,377,000.00

PROJECT NAME: Cherokee County / TPWA - Indian Meadows SS - OK19W00

DESCRIPTION: Install 5,000' of 12" sewer main and 9,000' of 8" sewer main to connect homes to TPWA

sewer system.

TRIBAL HOMES: 118
FUNDING SOURCE(S): IHS
STATUS: Pending final easements
CN DISTRICTS IMPACTED: 3
Total Project Cost: \$1,355,000.00

PROJECT NAME: Delaware County / Kenwood Sewer Lagoon Rehab - OK20W13

DESCRIPTION: Repair and Modify all 3 Sewer Lagoons, repair dikes, replace liners, new fencing, erosion

control.

TRIBAL HOMES: 24

FUNDING SOURCE(S): IHS, EPA, Tribal STATUS: Preliminary, Design Phase CN DISTRICTS IMPACTED: 9
Total Project Cost: \$1,032,000,00

PROJECT NAME: Nowata County / Nowata Municipal Auth. - Raw Water Intake - OK20W23

DESCRIPTION: Install third pump, replace valving, repair isolation gates, replace ladder, replace jib crane

TRIBAL HOMES: 469

FUNDING SOURCE(S): IHS, Other

STATUS: Preliminary Phase CN DISTRICTS IMPACTED: 12 Total Project Cost: \$201,000.00

PROJECT NAME: Delaware County / Colcord PWA – Sewer System Rehab – OK21W67 DESCRIPTION: Install 4,800' of 8" pvc sewer, rehab lift station and lagoon transfer station.

TRIBAL HOMES: 81

FUNDING SOURCE(S): IHS, CDBG

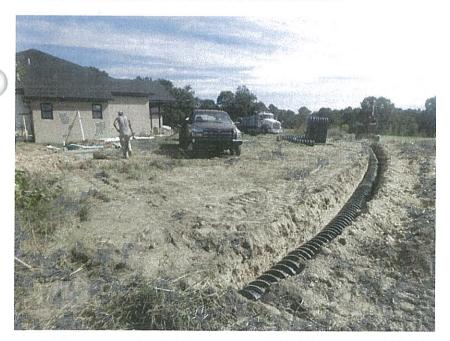
STATUS: Preliminary Phase CN DISTRICTS IMPACTED: 9 Total Project Cost: \$504,000.00

#### Engineering & Sanitation Facilities Construction

# Service Spotlight

This newsletter is intended to provide a spotlight on a service recently provided through the Cherokee Nation Engineering & Sanitation Facilities Construction program.

Mrs. Broughton, a Cherokee Citizen, is building a new home near Westville, OK. Mrs. Broughton submitted an application in March 2021 but did not start construction on the home until May 2021. A soil test was completed that same month. In September 2021 a purchase order was issued to Jerry's Excavation to install the septic tank/drainfield and water service line. Due to distance from the rural water system a well was drilled to provide water to the home. The septic system was installed in October 2021 and the well drilled in November 2021.





#### Applicant:

Justina Broughton

Westville, OK

#### **Funding Source:**

IHS Housing Support Funds OK21F42

#### **Total Cost of Service:**

\$23,800

# Mitigating factors/challenges overcome:

Distance to rural water

#### **CN Council District**

District 7



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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE REPORT

Group: Department of Transportation & Infrastructure Month/Year of Report: Nov. 2021

Executive Director: Michael Lynn Phone: 918-453-5396 E-mail: Michael-Lynn@cherokee.org

Comments:

#### ADAIR COUNTY PROJECTS:

1. Rocky Mountain School Loop Bridge (TCM Dist. 7) – Estimated project cost is \$1,206,956 – Silver Spur has been awarded the project for the amount of \$1,401,918 and a completion date of June 01, 2022. Remaining funds from the road project will be reprogramed to the bridge project. Silver Spur will begin construction December 6, 2021.

#### CHEROKEE COUNTY PROJECTS:

- 1. Northeast Fort Gibson Phase II (TCM Dist. 1 & 4) Estimated project cost is \$4,286,784. H&G Paving Contractors, Inc. was awarded the project for \$2,840,987.40 with a construction ending date of November 1, 2022.
- 2. Hulbert Lost City Road (TCM Dist. 1) Estimated project cost is \$5,309,853. Placing of concrete structures and fill material. The project is 46% complete.
- 3. Mud Valley (TCM Dist. 1 &3) Estimated project cost is \$14,432,000. Right of Way acquisition of 79 total parcels continues. Seventy three percent (58) of the parcels have been acquired. Utility Coordination is in the process of obtaining relocation plans and cost estimates.

#### **CRAIG COUNTY PROJECTS:**

- 1. NS4340 also known as White Oak road (TCM Dist. 11) Estimated project cost is \$9,442,834. This project was completed on October 28, 2021 with a final cost of \$8,080,797.99. A final inspection was performed on November 16, 2021.
- 2. NS4410 Road (TCM Dist.11) Estimated project cost is \$5,597,000. Waterline relocation has been delayed due to "domestic fittings" supply shortage. Estimated completion date has been extended to the end of February 2022.

#### MAYES COUNTY PROJECTS:

Chimney Rock Hollow (TCM Dist. 9)—Estimated project cost is \$7,908,924.
 Project is 35% complete: Contractor is placing RCB and side drains and working on subgrade.

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE REPORT

#### SEQUOYAH COUNTY PROJECTS:

1. Dwight Mission Road (TCM Dist 5) – Estimated project cost is \$10,263,728. This is a cooperative project between ODOT, Sequoyah County and CNDOT. This project is approximately 80 % complete. A detour has been constructed, along with drainage structures, erosion control, and widening of shoulders. Solid Slab Sod has been laid as well.

#### CHEROKEE TRANSIT SYSTEM:

Ridership on all routes for the month of October 2021 were:

- 1. Sallisaw to Tahlequah 116 rides
- 2. Pryor to Catoosa 263 rides
- 3. Salina to Catoosa 147 rides
- 4. Stilwell to Tahlequah 63 rides
- 5. Muskogee to Tahlequah 111 rides
- 6. Tahlequah to Chouteau/Hulbert 33 rides
- 7. Tahlequah to Catoosa 73 rides
- 8. Stilwell to West Siloam Springs 29 rides
- 9. Individual Demand Response Trips: 6,957 Total Rides: 7,792

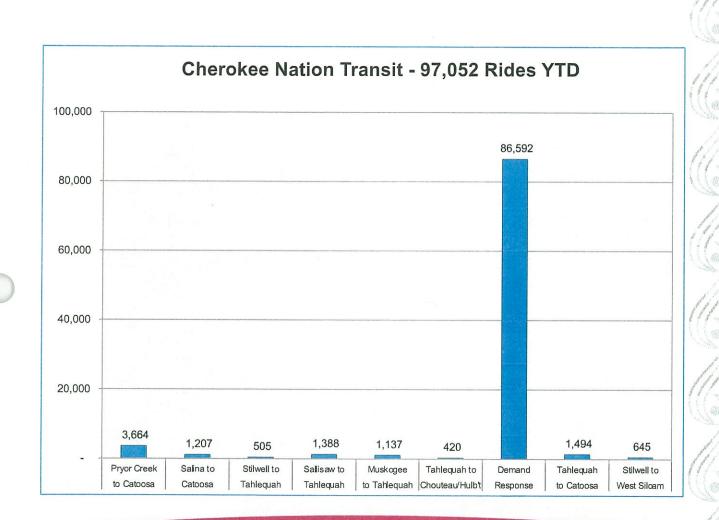
Note: Ridership reports run 2 months behind.

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# Cherokee Nation Transit

Ridership Update – November 2021

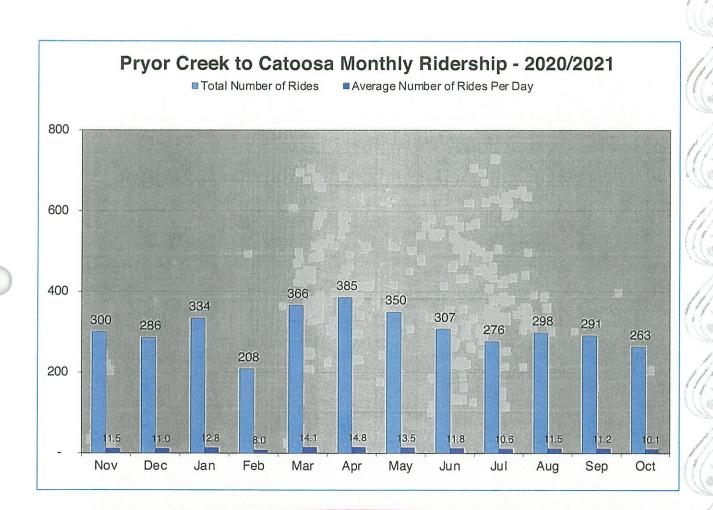


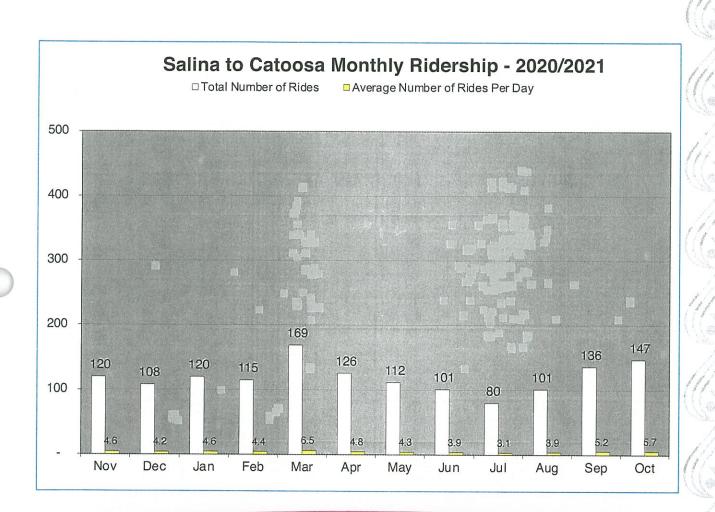
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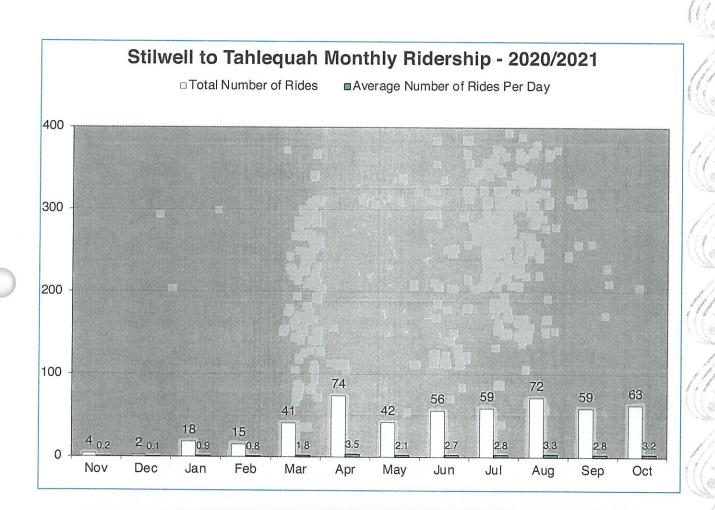
# October 2021 Route Performance

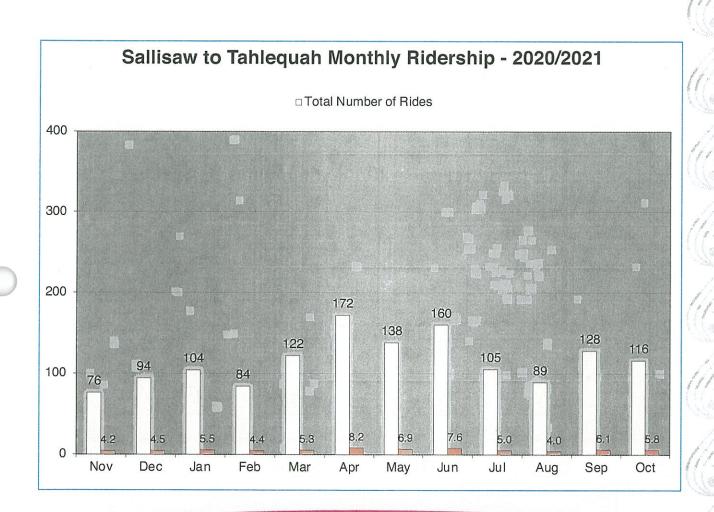
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Tahlequah to Catoosa	73
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Grand Total	7,792

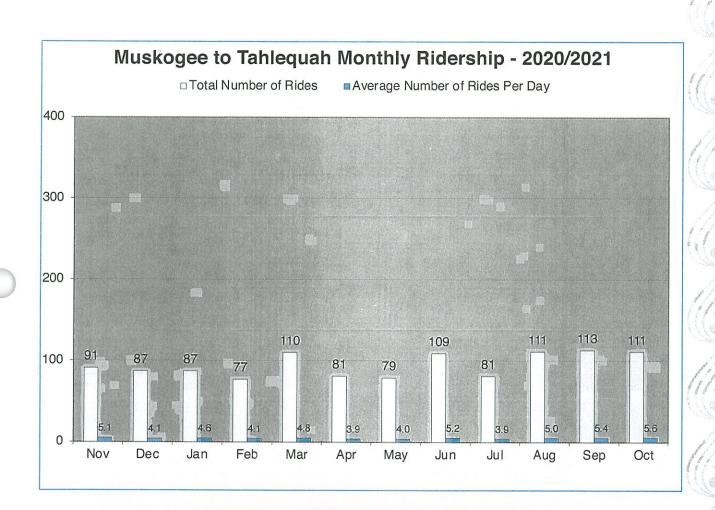
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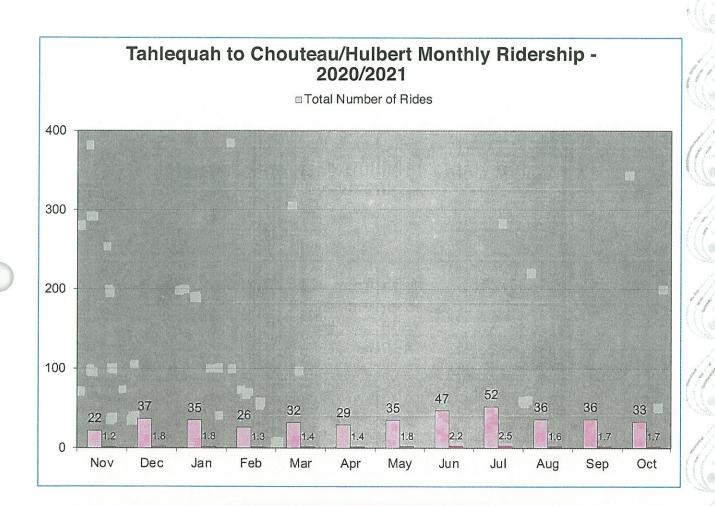


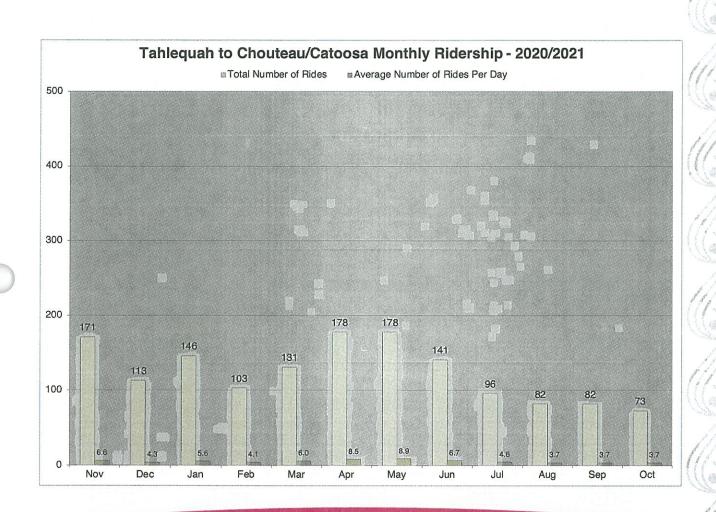


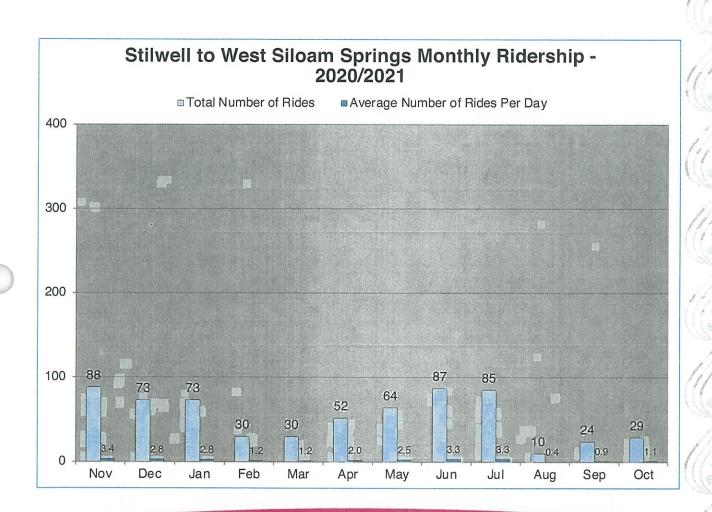


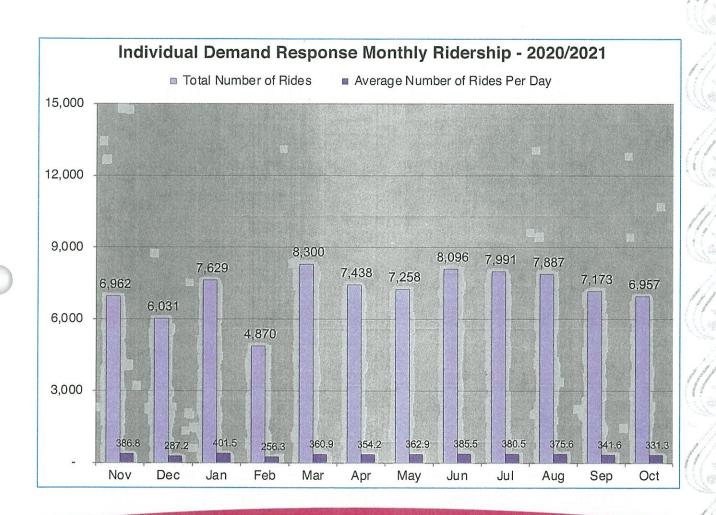


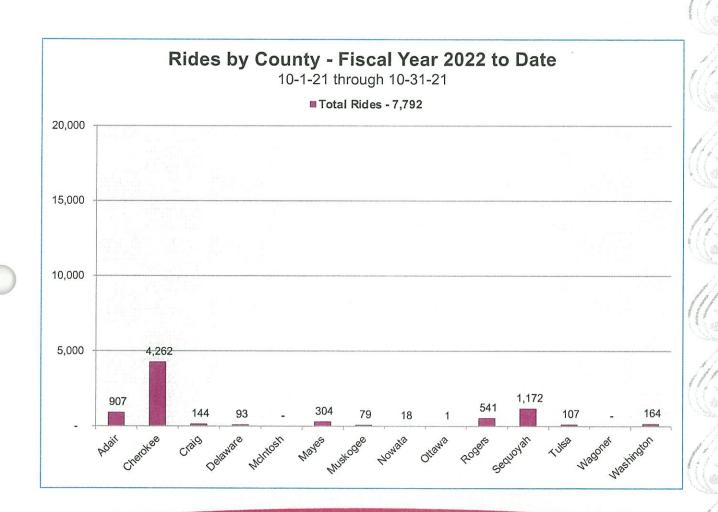


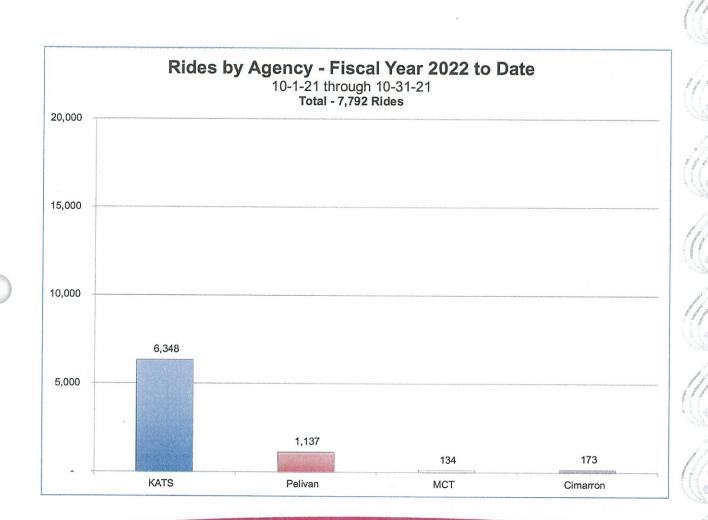


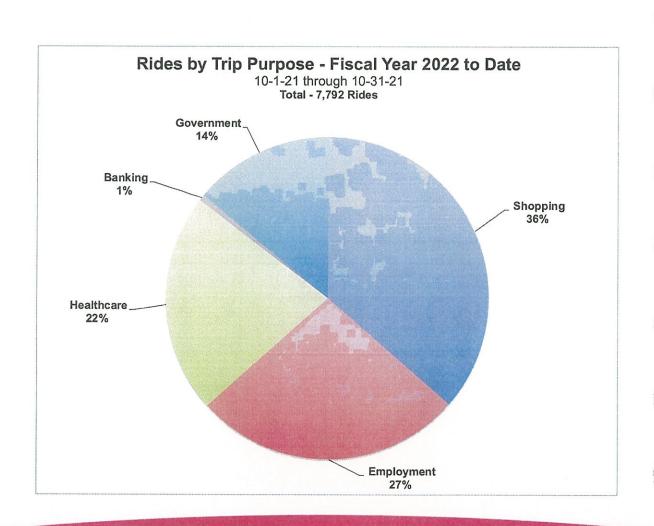












# Department of Transportation Project Spotlight

### **FINISHED CONSTRUCTION**



### NS4340 "WHITE OAK" ROAD

Located in Craig County

Cherokee Nation Council: District 11

Projected completion date of project: October 29, 2022

Project length: 4.19 Miles

Construction cost: \$8,080,797.99

Contractor is Paragon/KSL Dirtworks.

Cherokee Nation Project Inspector:

**Robert Evans** 

### **CHEROKEE NATION**

Construction was completed October 28, 2021 and a final inspection was performed November 16th.

Left to right: Marvin Valencia, Guy Engineering;
Regina Compelube, Cherokee Nation; Mike Owens,
Paragon; Lowell Walker, Craig County Commissioner;
Andy Quetone, Robert Evans, and Barry Hood,
Cherokee Nation

This project includes a school parking lot and sidewalk



### FINSHED CONSTRUCTION



# CHEROKEE NATION TRIBAL COUNCIL COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

•			
	Housing	Month/Year	
Group:	Authority	of Report:	Dec-21
Interim			
Executive Director	Jerri A. Killer	Phone:	918-456-5482
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Public Disclosures:			
	As required by 24	CFR Part 1000.30, services provid	ed to Housing Authority of the
		Cherokee Nation Employees and	
		o the Native American Housing As	
	Act of 1996 (NAHASI	DA), shall be publicly disclosed.	
	The followin	g applicants have been determined	eligible for participation.
	LOW RENT APARTM	ENT	
	LOW KLINI AFAKTIVI		
		The following employee and/or re receive services for Low Rent Apa	
		guidelines set forth in the Housing	•
		Principal Chief of the Cherokee Na	•
		approved by the Board of Commis	ssioners.
•		None to report	
	HOMEOWNERSHIP:		
		The following employee and/or re	latives were approved to
		receive services for Homeownersh	• -
		guidelines set forth in the Housing	Policy as approved by the
		Principal Chief of the Cherokee Na	-
		approved by the Board of Commis	sioners.
		None to report	
	RENTAL ASSISTANCE	:/TEMPORARY RENTAL ASSISTANCE The following employee and/or re	C/COLLEGE HOUSING:
		receive services for Rental Assistar	- ·
		guidelines set forth in the Housing	•
		Principal Chief of the Cherokee Na	

approved by the Board of Commissioners.

None to report

### NEW CONSTRUCTION HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAM: (Non-NAHASDA Program)

The following employee and/or relatives were approved to receive services for the New Construction Homeownership program pursuant to guidelines set forth in the HACN Policy as approved by the Board of Commissioners.

None to report

### HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

The following employee and/or relatives were approved to receive services from the Housing Rehabilitation program pursuant to guidelines set forth in the HACN Policy as approved by the Board of Commissioners.

Kristy Murphy, father is Leo Murphy of HACN
Douglas McCarter, brohter is Dewayne McCarter of HACN
Geneva Brixer, daugher is Shellie Shankle of HACN
Clista Anderson, nephew is Dewayne McCarter of HACN
Carolyn Schooley, daughter-in-law is Tamara Wheeler of HACN



Keys to a brighter future

### Announcements

### **Board of Commissioners Meeting:**

Dec 21 Regular BOC Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

### Office Closures:

Dec 23-24 Christmas Eve and Christmas (observed)

### Other Info:

In response to the Coronavirus Pandemic, HACN continues to operate and perform essential services. Services continue to be offered. All housing assistance programs continue to operate and we encourage citizens to call us with question as entry to our offices is limited.

All offices and staff of the HACN may be reached through the main office number, regardless of their office location. The local and toll free numbers are:

918-456-5482 800-837-2869

**Employee Email is:** 

firstname.lastname@hacn.org

www.hacn.org

# Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation Month Ending: October 2021

### **Current Program Participants:**

			Re	ntal Assistan	ce	Homeov	vnership	Loans	Tot	als
County	Community Shield Insurance	Low Rent Apartments	Rental Assistance (RAP)	Temporary Assistance (TAP)	College Housing Programs	Home- ownership Programs Under Mgmt	New Construction Homes Under Mgmt	Title VI / Other Mortgage Programs	Total Housing Participants	, % of Participants
Adair	288	154	67	0	10	92	83	15	709	14%
Cherokee	253	182	409	2	15	181	192	50	1,284	25%
Craig	19	59	21	0	0	8	28	2	137	3%
Delaware	165	112	69	1	13	50	118	24	552	11%
McIntosh	13	0	1	0	1	3	3	0	21	0%
Mayes	125	124	50	0	14	40	59	13	425	8%
Muskogee	61	54	44	0	3	42	55	10	269	5%
Nowata	21	44	12	0	3	10	27	0	117	2%
Ottawa	11	0	3	0	3	6	7	4	34	1%
Rogers	70_	57	171	0	12	61	40	39	450	9%
Sequoyah	275	0	176	0	15	117	144	52	779	15%
Tulsa	29	0	96	0	7	25	8	3	168	3%
Wagoner	7	0	5	0	0	52	4	2	70	1%
Washington	21	44	41	0	3	25	11	3	148	3%
Total:	1,358	830	1,165	3	99	712	779	217	5,163	100%
				1,267		1,4	91	217		

**Current Applications:** 

		Rehab	NAHASDA	Community	Rental				1	
	Rehab	Replacement	Home-	Shield	Properties /	Rental	New Home	%	Total	% of
County	Programs	Homes	awnership	Insurance	Apartments	Assistance	Construction	NHCP	Apps	Total
Adair	242	0	14	4	136	413	174	11%	983	18%
Cherokee	202	0	4	6	286	330	340	21%	1,168	21%
Craig	43	0	0	0	36	17	45	3%	141	3%
Delaware	127	0	6	2	96	33	219	13%	483	9%
McIntosh	16	0	0	0	0	7	12	1%	35 →	1%
Mayes	75	0	3	1	92	34	118	7%	323	6%
Muskogee	75	0	2	0	46	92	99	6%	314	6%
Nowata	28	0	10	0	23	16	38	2%	115	2%
Ottawa	15	0	Ö	0	0	1	25	2%	41	1%
Rogers	57	0	24	0	145	155	143	9%	524	9%
Sequoyah	206	0	15	3	0	316	203	12%	743	13%
l'uisa 💮	59	0	23	3	0	177	167	10%	429	8%
Wagoner	18	Ó	2	0	0	10	33	2%	63	1%
Washington	29	0	10	1	72	41	34	2%	187	3%
Total:	1,192	0	113	20	932	1,642	1,650	100%	5,549	100%

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### Mortgage Assistance Program

14 Families because homeowners in October 2021 through financial counseling and down payment assistance

MAP Household	Averages
Household Income	\$44,901.55
Home Price	\$124,562
Equity Created	12.60%

The Mortgage Assistance Program helps families move toward economic well-being and self-sufficiency while building assets and net worth for the present and the future.

Any resident who needs assistance with completing applications, accessing the internet or obtaining documents such as social security cards or birth certificates may contact the Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation at 918-456-5482 and ask for the Mortgage Assistance Program Staff.

### MAP Applications and Financial Coaching



### Financial Coaching

357 families are in the homebuyers' pipeline, having either completed or are currently active in financial counseling.

YTD, 11 families have finished counseling and obtained a non-predatory mortgage.

Financial Coachir	ng Impact
Average Debt to Income with Mortgage	29.58%
Reduction in Debt to Income	3.82%
Average Increase in Net Worth	\$17,840.64

Families using MAP to purchase a home must attend a comprehensive homeownership training. To date, in FY22 29 people have attended 8 virtual classes.

Employees and the public have the opportunity to attend financial education classes on topics ranging from creating spending plans to balancing checkbooks.

FY22 to date, 4 people have attended 2 community and work based financial education classes.

### iSave Program

iSave is a mechanism for eligible Cherokee citizens to update and rehabilitate the home they own. iSave is a matched savings program in which participants save money over a period of time and the iSave program matches the families' savings to build financial assets. 57 families are actively saving in iSave for home rehabilitation.

Matching funds can be used for anything that increases the value of the primary residence, for example, a storm shelter, flooring, fencing, sidewalks, major appliance replacement, roofing, plumbing, etc.

# Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation Month Ending: October 2021







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# Tribal HUD - VASH

# VA Supportive Housing Program

		Applications		Assistance	T	otals
County	Referrals Received / Applications Processing	Vounchers Issued	Waiting List	Housed Veteran	Total	% of Participants
Adair	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Cherokee	0	0	0	4	4	27%
Craig	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Delaware	0	0	0	1	1	7%
McIntosh	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Mayes	0	0	0	1	1	7%
Muskogee	0	0	0	2	2	13%
Nowata	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Ottawa	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Rogers	0	0	0	2	2	13%
Sequoyah	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Tulsa	0	0	0	4	4	27%
Wagoner	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Washington	0	0	0	1	1	7%
Total:	0	0	0	15	15	100%

### New Construction Homeownership Program Development Files Processing

Month of Oct-21

		1				Proc	essing			
	Applicati		cations	Stg I	St	Stg II		Stg III		Construction
County	Waiting List	App Problem	App Processing	Prelim Review	Site Inspect	Problem Files	Survey Pending	Land Dev	Process Closing	Under / Ready Const
Adair	153	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	9	9
Cherokee	314	0	1	D	0	0	0	0	1	18
Craig	44	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Delaware	203	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	13
McIntosh	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Mayes	106	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	11
Muskogee	93	.0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Nowata	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Ottawa	25	0	0	0	٥	0	0	0	0	0
Rogers	140	0	0	0	0	0	0 .	0	1	2
Sequoyah	190	0	5	0	0	0	0	1	2	5
Tulsa	167	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wagoner	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Washington	34	0	О	0	ō	0	0	0	0	0
Total:	1,546	0	12	0	0	0	0	2	15	68
		1	2			1	.7			68

### STAGE I:

El:
Copies of Deed(s), etc.
Check Floodmaps/Floodplain
identify Utility Companies
Contact for Site Inspection

### STAGE III:

Order/Receive Survey Order/Receive Perc Test Receive Utility Assurance Receive Abstract from participant

### STAGE II:

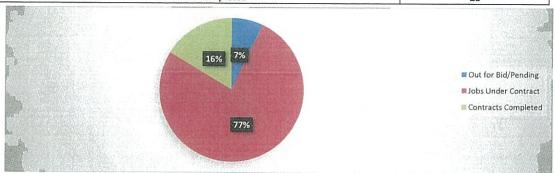
Visit Site
Identify/Propose Site Plan
Identify/Propose Utilities
Identify/Propose Lateral Field
Identify/Propose Easement(s)
Deliver Utility Assurance Letters
Request Abstract from participant

STAGE IV:
Survey Review / Identify Barriers / Process for Closing

### Month Ending: Oct 2021

## **Housing Rehabilitation Programs - Job Statistics**

Out for Bid/Pending	12
Jobs Under Contract	131
Contracts Completed	28



### Rehab

Classification	Monthly Activity	FY22 YTD	
Emergency	44	44	
NAHASDA Rehab	0	0	
Replacement	2	2	
Storm Shelters	1	1	
HJSCA Tribal Rehab	4	4	
HJSCA Tribal Replacement	0	0	
BIA - HIP Program	1	1	
Lead Based Paint	4	4	
All Rehab jobs	56	56	



- Emergency
- Replacement
- NAHASDA RehabStorm Shelters
- HJSCA Tribal Rehab
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- BIA HIP Program Lead Based Paint